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(Case No. 99-569-A)

PATENT

In re Application of: Nakayama et al. )

Serial No.: 09/724,915 )

Before the Examiner: D. Romeo

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Group Art Unit: 1647

For: Chordin-Like Molecules  
and Uses Thereof )

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Sir:

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1. We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above-described patent application: Petition for Extension of Time, Response to Office Action, and return postcard.
2. A check in the amount of \$1,014.00 for an Extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), and the presentation of additional independent claims under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b), is attached.
3. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT FEES: Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.
4. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described in paragraph 1, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on September 19, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,  
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